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(c) determining whether the book belongs to a certain library; and
(d) storing that information on an RFID element to create an RFID tag
for the library material.

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10. (Amended) The method of claim 7, wherein the method further includes the step of (c) obtaining additional information about the library material and storing that information on the RFID element.

11. (Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein the additional information is obtained from library automation vendor (LAV) software having a database including information about the library material.

12. (Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein the additional information is obtained visually from the library material, and is entered into the RFID device manually.

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15. (Amended) The method of claim 14, wherein the operator can provide input to the display in order to control the display.

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19. (Amended) A method of identifying a specific item having an RFID element associated therewith from among a larger group of items also having RFID elements associated therewith, comprising the steps of:

(a) providing an RFID interrogation device with information identifying the specific item;

(b) interrogating the larger group of items; and

(c) providing a signal when the RFID device interrogates the RFID tag associated with the specific item;

wherein the information provided in step (a) is information identifying a class of items, and step (c) comprises providing a signal when the RFID device interrogates an RFID tag associated with a specific item within that class; and wherein the class of items are items belonging in the same section of the library.

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23. (Amended) A method of using a handheld RFID device for reading information from an RFID element, comprising the steps of interrogating the RFID tags